PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE ON PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION REGARDING APPROVAL OF AN APPLICATION SUBMITTED UNDER THE "REGULATIONS FOR THE PREVENTION OF SIGNIFICANT DETERIORATION OF AIR OUALITY"

Arauco Panels USA, LLC has applied to the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Air Quality (DAQ), Permitting Section, for the installation of a biofilter as Best Available Control Technology on the dryer, energy system, board cooler, and press in the medium density fiberboard plant at its facility located at 985 Corinth Road, Moncure, North Carolina 27559, Chatham County.

The proposed project is subject to review and processing under North Carolina Administrative Code (NCAC), Title 15A, Subchapter 02D.0530, "Prevention of Significant Deterioration." The facility is defined as a "major stationary source" for the discharge of significant quantities of volatile organic compounds.

The Arauco Panels USA, LLC application has been reviewed by the DAQ, Major New Source Review Branch in Raleigh, North Carolina to determine compliance with the requirements of the North Carolina Environmental Management Commission air pollution regulations.

A preliminary review, including analysis of the impact of the facility emissions on local air quality, has led to the determination that the project can be approved, and the DAQ air permit issued, if certain permit conditions are met.

Wake County is classified as an attainment area. Compliance with all ambient air quality standards and the PSD increments is projected.

A copy of all data and the application submitted by Arauco Panels USA, LLC and other material used by the DAQ in making this preliminary determination are available for public inspection during normal business hours at the following locations:

NC DEQ
Division of Air Quality or Division of Air Quality
New Source Review Branch
217 West Jones Street 3800 Barrett Drive
Raleigh, N.C. 27603 Raleigh, NC 27609

Information on the proposed permit, the permit application, and the staff review is available by writing or calling:

William Willets, P.E. Chief, Permitting Section North Carolina Division of Air Quality 1641 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1641 Telephone: (919) 707-8726

After weighing relevant comments received by August 13, 2017, and other available information on the project, the DAQ will act on the PSD application.

Michael Abraczinskas, Director Division of Air Quality, NCDEQ